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SERIES OF EVENTS PLANNED FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

MISSOULA--

The University of Montana and several Missoula organizations will join together in March to mark the 15th anniversary of Women's History Month with a series of entertaining and educational events.

More than 20 events throughout the month include lectures, concerts, performances, workshops and films on issues related to women and women's history. Highlighting the month is a downtown march and rally on International Women's Day, Friday, March 8.

Women's History Month was established by the U.S. Congress in 1987 to recognize the role of women in American history and their contributions to "the growth and strength of our nation," according to the congressional resolution.

Events on campus and around town are:

Friday, March 1

7:30 p.m. -- "The House of Bernarda Alba," play by UM's Department of Drama/Dance in the Masquer Theatre. Discussion to follow. Tickets \$11 for the general public and \$10 for students and senior citizens; available at box offices in the center's lobby and in the University Center. For more information, call 243-4581.

Monday, March 4

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12:10 p.m. -- "Women's Voices in Contemporary Russian Prose," Women's Studies Brown Bag Lecture presented by Anna Brodsky, associate professor of Russian. Liberal Arts Building Room 138. Free.

Wednesday, March 6

12:10 p.m. -- "Marriage, Family and Domestic Violence in the Old South," Women's Studies Brown Bag Lecture presented by UM history Associate Professor Anya Jabour. Liberal Arts Building Room 138. Free.

Thursday, March 7

7 p.m. -- "Girls Around the World," documentary film focusing on 17-year-old girls around the globe, sponsored by UM's Multicultural Alliance. University Center Theater. Free.

Friday, March 8

4 p.m. -- The International Women's Day Rally begins with a march from the Higgins Avenue Bridge to Circle Square, then continues at 5 p.m. with music and speakers. Free.

Saturday, March 9

7 p.m. -- "The Many Faces of Women," a fund-raiser for Women's Opportunity and Resource Development, at the Blue Heron, 140 W. Pine St. Admission is \$15 per person or \$25 a couple.

Monday, March 11

7 p.m. -- "25 Years After Love Canal," lecture by Lois Gibbs, executive director of the Center for Health, Environment and Justice, and leader of the 1970s struggle against toxic pollution at New York's Love Canal. North Underground Lecture Hall. Free.

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5 to 7 p.m. -- "Interactive Action Briefing," a pro-choice public education project, University Center Room 333. Free.

Thursday, March 14

Noon -- "A Conversation About Activism with Holly Near and Cris Williamson," pioneering stars of the women's music movement. Upstairs at the Union Hall, 208 E. Main St. Free.

8 p.m. -- Holly Near and Cris Williamson in concert at the Wilma Theatre. Tickets \$18 in advance or \$20 at the door. Call the University Center Box Office at 243-4999.

Friday, March 15

7 p.m. -- "Poetry for Sissies," poetry reading, Catalyst Espresso, 111 N. Higgins Ave. Free.

Friday, March 22

8 p.m. -- CD release party for "The Harvest Project," by Missoula performer Amy Martin. Martin will provide music and local resident Noorjahan Parwana will speak. All proceeds from CD sales benefit the Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan and the Afghan Institute of Learning. UM's Masquer Theatre in the Performing Arts and Radio/Television Center. Free.

Monday, March 25

Noon -- "Philosophical Thought on Women Through the Ages," variety show performance sponsored by UM's Practical Ethics Center, University Center Theater. Free.

Tuesday, March 26

3:30 p.m. -- Maxine Van de Wetering Seminar: "Women, Family and the State," by New

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York University history Professor Linda Gordon. Gallagher Building Room 123. Free.

7 p.m. -- Maxine Van de Wetering Lecture: "Poverty, Race and the Politics of Welfare Reform," by New York University history Professor Linda Gordon. North Underground Lecture Hall. Free. Reception follows in the Davidson Honors College.

Wednesday, March 27

12:10 p.m. -- "Under the Big Sky: A White Feminist Responds to Anti-Indian Rhetoric," Women's Studies Brown Bag Lecture by UM English Associate Professor Heather Bruce. Liberal Arts Building Room 138. Free.

Friday, March 29

Noon -- "Hmong History and Culture," Brown Bag Community Conversation by Yee Lor, Asian community liaison. YWCA, 1130 W. Broadway St. Free.

7 p.m. -- "Mother Wove the Morning," performance about women and religion, University Center Ballroom. Free.

Saturday, March 30

8 p.m. -- Irish folk singer Karan Casey in concert, University Theatre. Tickets \$16 in advance, \$18 at the door. Call the University Center Box Office at 243-4999.

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